THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A number of issues required examination in consultation with various Government Departments and Agencies.

(c) This project is estimated to earn about Rs. 194 crores in foreign exchange over a period of 10 years.

(d) According to Punjab Agro Industries Corporation, the project will provide direct employment to 500 persons and indirect employment opportunities to a substantial number of people in agriculture, ancillaries, retail and distribution systems, etc.

Joint ventures with FRG

1959. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Federal Republic of Germany has agreed to collaborate with India in joint ventures in hi-tech industries;

(b) if so, whether Government have since entered into any agreement with the Federal Republic of Germany for starting joint ventures in India; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Government welcome cooperation with other countries in the hi-tech areas to modernise our industries and improve their productivity to make, them inter-nationally competitive provided the terms and conditions offered are within our policy parameters. Industrial collaborations are a continuing process. FRG occupies a prominent position in technology transfer to Indian companies. The foreign collaboration cases approved with FRG constitute about 18 per cent of the total approvals sanctioned by the Government. However, Government have not signed any specific agreement with FRG for starting joint ventures in India.

Prices of tyres and tubes

1960. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of automobile tyres and tubes have been increased by the manufacturers during the last three years; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government have taken to control the prices of tyres and tubes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Tyre and tube prices were increased by manufacturers during the last 3 years as follows:

March, 1985—8% to 9.5%
April-May, 1986—5%
July, 1987—7%

(b) According to the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association, the reason for the increase in prices is the increase in input costs. There are no statutory control over prices of tyres and tubes. However, in order to allow free play to market forces and protect the consumers interests, Government have been liberally sanctioning fresh capacities and allowing existing units to expand their capacities under the minimum economic scales scheme. Government are in regular touch with the manufacturers to maximise production of tyres and tubes in order to ensure their adequate availability and may also consider import of tyres if the need arises.

उत्तर प्रदेश में सरकारी क्षेत्र के एककों के लिए धनराशियां

1961. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) केन्द्रीय सरकार ने 29 फरवरी, 1988 तक उत्तर प्रदेश में सरकारी क्षेत्र

के एककों में कितनी धनराशि निवेशित की है ;

(ख) इन प्रत्येक एककों की कुल आय, लाभ और घाटे कितने-कितने हैं ; और

(ग) केन्द्रीय सरकार उत्तर प्रदेश में सरकारी क्षेत्र के एककों में कितनी नई धनराशि निवेशित करने का विचार रखती है ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री जे. वेंगल राव) : (क) 31-3-1987 जब तक की जानकारी उपलब्ध है, को उत्तर प्रदेश में सरकारी क्षेत्र के एककों में सरकार द्वारा सकल परिसम्पत्ति के रूप में कुल 3913.96 करोड़ रुपये का पूंजीनिवेश किया गया है ।

(ख) सम्भवत: माननीय सदस्य, जिन सरकारी क्षेत्र के उद्यमों के पंजीकृत कार्यालय उत्तर प्रदेश में हैं उन की कुल बिक्री एवं निवल लाभ एवं हानि के बारे में जानना चाहते है । 31-3-1987 को ये क्रमश: 5904.10 करोड़ रुपये तथा 1412.30 करोड़ रुपये थे ।

(ग) सातवीं योजना में उत्तर प्रदेश में केन्द्रीय औद्योगिक एवं खनिज परियोजनाओं (कोयला, विद्युत एवं पेट्रोलियम को छोड़कर) के लिए 757.15 करोड़ रुपये के परिव्यय की व्यवस्था की गई है ।

Survey on Sick Industries

1962. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any survey of the sick industries in the country;

(b) if so, the number of industries (major, medium and small) which have fallen sick in Orissa as on 31st December, 1987; and

(c) what are the reasons for their sickness?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Reserve Bank of India had carried out a survey regarding the extent and causes of industrial sickness in the year 1979. The Reserve Bank of India are carrying out a fresh survey covering 2000 sick units in the large and medium sector regarding the causes of sickness.

(b) Data on sick industrial units assisted by banks in the country are collected by the Reserve Bank of India as per the definition of sickness adopted by it. According to the latest information available from RBI, the number of sick units in the State of Orissa as at the end of December 1986 is as under:—

Name of the State	Number of large sick units	Number of SSI sick units
Orissa	10	6489

The state-wise break-up in respect of medium scale sick industries is not being maintained by RBI.

(c) A number of causes, both internal and external often operating in combination, have been responsible for industrial sickness. Some of the principal causes are faulty planning, management deficiencies, inefficient financial control, diversion of resources inadequate attention to R&D, obsolescence of technology and machinery, poor industrial relations, inadequate demand, shortage of raw materials and other inputs and infrastructural constraints.

Effect on production due to sickness of Small Units

1963. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the year 1987 a large number of Small Units became sick affecting their production;

(b) if so, the number of such units and the causes of their sickness; and

(c) what are the steps being taken to restore those units to normal working condition?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Data on sick